Control Bureau (NCB) and Central Bureau of Narcotics (CBN) coordinate with other competent national authorities empowered to regulate or enforce national controls over Acetic Anhydride in accordance with UN Convention Against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs And Psychotropic Substances of 1988.

Advise to Banks/Cooperative Societies for non-recovery of loans

3114. DR. DASARI NARAYANA RAO: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that handloom and powerloom workers in Andhra Pradesh committed suicides in recent past due to their inability to repay their loans to Banks/cooperative societies etc;

(b) if so, whether Government have advised or propose to advise Banks not to recover the loans for a certain period from the affected weavers to enable them to make up their losses; and

(c) if not, in what manner Government propose to help the weavers from financial crisis in the State?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHE PATIL): (a) As informed by the convenor of State Level Banker's Committee (Andhra Bank) for the State of Andhra Pradesh, there were no suicides of Handloom and power loom workers in Andhra Pradesh in the recent past due to their inability to pay their loans with Banks.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) With a view to help the weavers from financial crisis in Andhra Pradesh, Government proposed to finance the weavers under upgradation of powerloom and Jukki machines and identification of candidates under special Prime Minister's Rojgar Yojana Scheme. In addition to the reguiar Annual Credit Plan, the State Level Bankers' Committee proposed a special Banking Plan of Rs. 55 crores exclusively for handloom weavers for the year 2001-2002.